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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:  
Nykoluk et. al.

Appln. No. 09/990, 076

Art Unit: 3727

Filed: November 21, 2001

Examiner: Tri M. Mai

For: PIVOTAL HANDLE FOR TOWABLE  
BAGGAGE

Docket No.: 26/1145US(1)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

### **Amendment and Response and Request for Continued Examination**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 23, 2003, and made final by the Examiner, Applicants respectfully traverse the rejections stated therein, and submit the following remarks and amendments in this Request for Continued Examination.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2.

**Remarks begin on page 11.**

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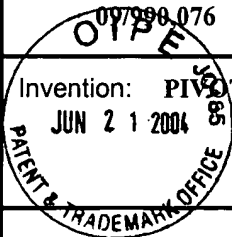
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